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Here's a Typical Example of How Some Newspapers Will Falsify About Klan

NEVER mind about telling the truth. Just tack "K. K. K." onto any article dealing with crime or tragedy and the yellow newspaper is afforded a sensation. Anything is permissible in slandering and vituperating this great American order by newspapers who pander to the tastes of their Catholic and Jewish advertisers.

Here is a typical instance showing how the news columns of a paper can be prostituted when its policy is controlled in its counting house.

The Kansas City Post recently carried an eight-column headline in box car letters "Klan Threats Blamed in Suicide." If the end of the world had come, they could have used no larger type.

Some Sensation

Here is the story they "smeared" on page one: "Kittsville, Mo., April 9—Threats by secret organization and signed Ku Klux Klan are blamed by relatives for the suicide here yesterday of Thomas Henderson, 26-year-old farmer. Henderson shot himself with an old-fashioned muzzle loading pistol. Shortly before taking his life, Henderson said he had received a threatening letter and that it bore no signature, except the words 'Ku Klux Klan.' Members of his family say they know no reason for any person or organization threatening Henderson. 'Henderson' was a member of a family that had lived in this section many years.

Imperial Representative George C. McCarron for the State of Missouri at once sent special investigators to Kirksville with the determination to find out who sent the man the note. He discovered that the newspaper article was absolutely false and that circumstances surrounding the man's death had been deliberately colored so as to afford ammunition for a sensational attack on the Klan.

Facts in Case

The true facts in the case are: Henderson was a negro, though the article did not say so. He was a plasterer and not a farmer. He had never received a threatening letter of any kind, much less a note signed "Ku Klux Klan." The man did not commit suicide but accidentally shot himself.

Henderson's wife who witnessed the accident says that her husband came home drunk and was fooling with a

shot gun (not a pistol). By accident he struck the gun against the wall as he staggered about the room. It exploded and tore away half of his skull. This typical case of distorting the truth on the part of an anti-Klan newspaper is set forth here merely to show just how low some sheets can sink in their efforts to discredit an organization whose ideals are of the highest and whose principles are patriotism of the purest.

Oregon School Law is Praised by Templar

Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Master of the Knights Templar in the United States, chairman of the board of directors of the Methodist International College at Rome and a member of the

Ecclesiastical Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, heartily approves the Oregon compulsory school bill which eliminates parochial schools and sectarian education of children in that state.

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Sectarian Education is Bad

From his position, both as an educator and a leader in one of the extensive sectarian collegiate organizations, Mr. Newby looks upon the Oregon school bill as one of the best guarantees to education which is productive of good citizenship.

"I do not believe that the mind of the child should be developed along sectarian lines," he declares. "The place for the young mind is in the public schools. We must teach every boy and girl in this country first to be a good American citizen, and the basis of this teaching is the public school system.

"The function of the sectarian school lies in the training of the child after he has passed through the high school stage of education, and not before.

Popular education is distinctly an American education and it should be made to give its groundwork, its and calmer nights may be yours, if you sleep smoothly down the tide of policy—child in the country.

The work of the educational system is to those who have passed the high school stage. Collegiate training is

given them after they have approached the period of mental determination.

Must Teach Patriotism

"Sectarianism is a bad thing," declares the Templar head. Religious convictions are a thing apart from education which is so vital to the production of good citizens. After the child has received a groundwork in the fundamental love of country and government, then is time for him to choose the future educational course.

"I mean no interference against any creed. A man may be Protestant, Jew, Catholic, Mohammedan, any one of the 299 faiths which flourish within the nation, but he must be an American above it all."

Mr. Newby says that the Methodist schools with which he is connected receive no tax support, and he decries that the Oregon system established a method where the functions of the public schools are supported by all of the people, and where all benefit equally.

Fortitude

Do not be discouraged! Don't lose heart.

You may not be able to see the harvest where you have patiently sown the seed, but be assured of this: No seed is lost.

The truthful word manfully spoken, the earnest effort honestly made, the noble creed consistently held—these are things which do not perish; they live on and move the world and mold the destinies of men long after you are dust.

Leave cowardice to the cowards. Be a man—proud, though in homespun, free, though in a hut. Own your own soul!

Dare to listen to your own heartbeat. Between you and God's sunlight let no shadow of fear fall.

Leave servility to the slaves. Be a man, like these—and no others—won every treasure in the storehouse of liberty, every jewel in the crown of good government, every thread in the golden tissue of religious and political freedom.

Men, like these—and no others—going to keep alive the sacred fires our fathers kindled, are going to stamp out the foul heresies that imperil our rights, are going to fight the death those who would turn back the march of human happiness, and are going to re-dedicate this government to the principles upon which it was founded!

Stand firm and fear not.

Brave men—who are nothing more than brave, rush into the combat, get wounded and quit.

Brave men, who are something more than brave, take no defeat as final.

You should subscribe for and read one or more of them regularly.

You should advertise in them.

You should recommend them to your friends.

In this way the work of Americanism may be furthered.

Following are listed twenty-four newspapers published in sixteen states which are devoted to the furtherance of Klan principles. Should any hundred per cent American newspaper be omitted it is because The Imperial

calls for better things? Is there no great pulse beat of duty within you—no flame of the warrior spirit, when in silent, wrong flings its gage of battle at your feet?

Are you willing that the right shall call for aid, and you give no succor, that truth shall plead for help, and you bear no witness?

Is the sacred torch of liberty—passed on from hand to hand, down the ages in which brave men dared to keep it lit—to find you unwilling to hold it aloft?

Shall the temple of civic freedom, reared by the great men who are gone, stand vacant, calling mutely, vainly for votaries at the shrine?

Was it a mockery—this long struggle your forefathers made for justice? Is it an idle tale—this story of the heroism with which the rights of the people were slowly won?

Not so—not so! Levity may slight, and ignorance may disregard the blessed heroisms of human endeavor, of patriotic purposes, of high-minded self-sacrifice—but they are here, and like the signal fires of the highlands, they call heroic hearts to duty!

You may have desponded, but you must not despair. You may have stumbled, but you must not fall. You will rouse yourself and press forward. You will do your duty—for that is your religion.

If wrong triumphs, it shall not claim you as a partner in the crime. You may be a partner in the crime, if the light dies out in the homes of the people, the curse of the unhappy shall not blight your name.

You shall be a man—loyal, fearless, independent, ready for work and loyal to the last, to the creed which your heart approves.

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One Star American, Greenville, Tex.

The Western American, Portland, Ore.

The Texas American, Dallas, Tex.

The Weekly American, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The American Citizen, Fort Worth, Tex.

The Oklahoma Patriot, McAlester, Okla.

The Fellowship Forum, Washington, D. C.

The Public Journal, Roanoke, Va.

Tri-State American, Memphis, Tenn.

Cot. Mayfield's Weekly, Houston, Tex.

The Dawn, Chicago, Ill.

The Inter-State Press, Vicksburg, Miss.

Missouri Valley Independent, St. Joseph, Mo.

The Fiery Cross, Indianapolis, Ind.

The Hukkevye Independent, Des Moines, Iowa.

The American Sentinel, Birmingham, Ala.

The Protestant Standard, Merryville, La.

The Frontier Klan, Phoenix, Ariz.

The Hukkevye Independent, Des Moines, Iowa.

The Texian, Tex.

The American Sentinel, Fresno, Cal.

The Joe Hawker American, Wichita, Kan.

The Badger American, Milwaukee, Wis.

The Arkansas Traveller, El Dorado, Ark.

Sergeant Dalton's Weekly, Winfield, La.

Baltimore Concern Has Discharged Klanmen

THE Imperial Night-Hawk wishes to speak a word of commendation to the editors of a number of weekly newspapers throughout the United States who are devoting the columns of their publications to the fight for Klan ideals and Klan principles.

These courageous editors have fought the good fight without flinching against the Klan.

After the battle has been won, the Klan has already been reached and the battle won. Their heads are bloody and unbroken. Right must prevail and their papers will prosper.

To a number of them, indeed, in regions where the Klan is flourishing like a green bay tree, the top of the hill has already been reached and the

battle won. Their newspapers are on a paying basis and are thus strengthened to continue the drive for Americanism.

But fierce conflict still centers around some of the others. Against them are arrayed utterly ruthless forces which will stoop to any injury to hamper or crush the voice of the Protestant press.

These editors in all verity serve and sacrifice.

They are the shock troops of the Klan armies. They are the buttresses against which beat waves of anti-Klan venom and hatred. They have thrown their own money and personalities into the cause and it is up to the Klanmen of the nation to help them to make good.

These newspapers are fighting your fight Klanmen, and you should wade right in and aid them.

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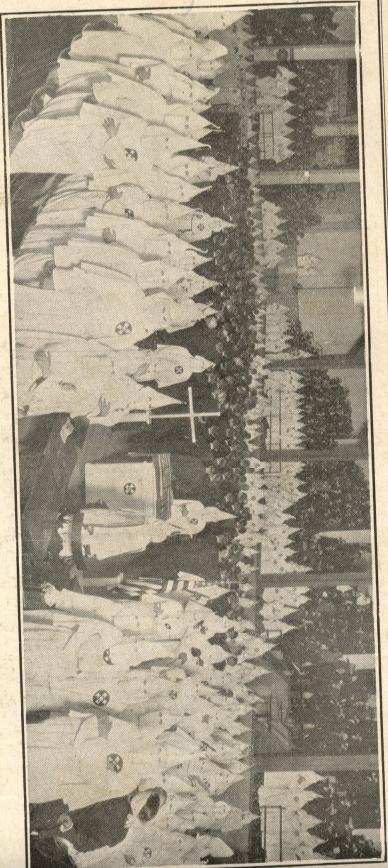
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Seattle Klan Thrives Under Persecution



SEATTLE Klan Number 4, Realm of Washington, has during the last couple of months borne the brunt of a desperate attack launched against the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan by un-American interests in the State of Washington.

The Seattle daily newspapers have viciously attacked the Seattle Klan at the instance of their Jewish and Catholic advertisers who control their news policy. They have published false

Irish Immigration

Irish immigration to the United States showed a sharp increase for the quarter ending March 21, the total number of immigrants from Leinster and Connaught being 800, as compared with 400 for the corresponding quarter last year.

The Munster total has not yet been announced but is expected to show a more substantial increase. These immigrants are more than 90 per cent Catholic.

Six Thousand Arkansas Klansmen Hold State Meeting in Driving Rain Storm

DRIVING rain, which almost assuaged the proportions of a cloud-burst, failed to dampen the enthusiasm of 6,000 loyal Arkansas Klansmen, who gathered near Little Rock for their annual state convention on Friday, April 27.

The meeting, which was held in the open air Friday night amid the meadows of a model stock farm, ten miles from the city, attracted a huge crowd of Klansmen who journeyed to the spot in automobiles, braving the rain.

America Needs The Klan
Out in California the I. W. W.'s are threatening armed revolution and sabotage against the lumber companies while in St. Joseph, Mich., in trials of communists, it is proved that the Russian Soviet government still continues its attempt to foment revolution in America. So it looks as if there is a very real need for a hundred-per-cent-American organization after all.

If a klansman needs help, minister to him, do not wait to "bring it up in regular meeting."

hoods regarding the Klan, have run so called "expose" of the order and having no spirit of fair play, have refused to permit the Klan to present their side of the case through their columns, having even refused paid advertisements offered by the Seattle Klan.

However, Seattle Klan Number 4 thrives on such malicious persecution. It merely demonstrates the steady New members are being naturalized by the hundreds and the cause of true Americanism is prospering. The picture is of an average class being naturalized into the Seattle Klan. It was taken a few weeks ago while the local Klan was at its high-water mark. There was no unusual ceremony to attract the crowd of Klansmen which fills the Klan.

It merely demonstrates the steady rallying of Americans beneath the fiery cross and the stars and stripes.

The Grand Dragon of the Realm of Arkansas and other Klan officials also spoke briefly and the crowd, wet to the skin, stayed to hear them. The meeting concluded with the serving of an old fashioned barbecue.

It is estimated that between 12,000 and 15,000 Klansmen were in Little Rock Friday, April 27, the weather preventing a large proportion of them from attending the night meeting beneath the fiery cross.

A letter from Chattanooga Klan No. 1, Realm of Tennessee, states that the National Handle and Enameling Company, 1011 Cross Street, Chattanooga, Tenn., is active in fighting this order. "Their attitude is of bitter opposition, denunciation and abuse," reads the letter. "The owner of the company is especially hostile to the Klan and actively works against us."